

OCR/BCR SEQUENCING PRIORITY

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A rejection rate of a selective sequential
processing apparatus such as a mail sortation
apparatus is reduced by combining results of at
least two feature discrimination arrangements such
as optical character recognition and a bar code
reader based on comparisons of results of the
feature discrimination results against each other
and against expected values to validate at least one
result and rejecting articles for manual processing
10 only when no feature discrimination result can be
validated. results of one feature discrimination
technique can be used to augment results of another
feature discrimination technique to improve
selective processing accuracy and processing speed
15 and throughput are increased by allowing use of
faster or accelerated feature discrimination
processes while maintaining a greater number of
articles within the automated process.